

STUDY SKILLS – SCIENCE

How to pass any Sciences examination in six easy steps.

- Step 1: Have you gathered up all your assessments for the year, your mid year and final examination with all your mistakes corrected? Have you learnt the correct answers?
- Step 2: Have you gathered up your revision notes/mind maps for each topic and spent time learning them?
- Step 3: Have you got copies of past exam papers or exemplars with your answers marked and key scientific terms highlighted?
- Step 4: Have you practiced answering merit and excellence questions.
- Step 5: Have you made a list of all the key terms and their meanings that you know are going to be in the examination and taken the time to learn them?
- Step 6: Have you made a list of all the key skills that you will be expected to use in the examination (these include the skills of drawing graphs, planning an investigation, drawing scientific diagrams with labels, using formula/equations to calculate answers, writing long answers as paragraphs) and the rules for using these skills? Which ones you need to know will depend on which Sciences you are taking. Have you learnt them?
- Step 7: Make a “cheat sheet”, that you WISH you could take into the examination with you that has all the facts/answers/ideas/suggestions to help you get a better mark. Learn the sheet off by heart!

Best of luck from the Sciences Faculty